LANCASTER COUNTY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR I

NATURE OF WORK

This is skilled work in the operation of light and heavy trucks (including single axle trucks having a GVW of 26,000 lbs. or more), tractors and related automotive equipment.

Work involves responsibility for the safe and efficient operation of trucks, tractors and other automotive equipment and for prompt performance of assignments according to established routines or special instructions received from a technical or an administrative superior. This class is distinguished from other classes in that employees in this class must operate equipment of the variety that constitutes placement in this class a minimum of 50% of work time. Employees may perform general laboring duties and may supervise employees assigned as helpers. Work is reviewed by a technical or an administrative superior through personal inspection and observation for compliance with established work schedules, methods and safety practices.

EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED

Operate trucks hauling rock, dirt, gravel, sand/salt mixtures and related construction materials; use front-end loader to load trucks with construction materials; operate a rotary mower attachment to mow County right of ways; operate a dump truck with snow plow and sander attachment to plow, sand and salt County roads; install various equipment attachments including snow plow, sander and motor grader blades; complete daily time sheets and daily traffic sign reports; complete proper logs for lubricants, diesel fuel and gasoline used.

Perform general road maintenance duties such as cutting brush and trees, treating stumps with chemicals, and putting branches and limbs into chipper; install and remove snow fence; repair and maintain culverts; remove and replace damaged sign posts and bridge planks.

Perform labor work in connection with assigned projects; may supervise subordinate employees engaged in general labor and equipment operation on an assigned project.

Perform routine preventive maintenance on equipment operated including checking and changing oil and oil filters, fueling and washing equipment, checking other fluid levels, lubricating, and inspecting and changing tires, and related maintenance work.

Perform routine building and grounds maintenance such as sweeping, mopping floors and cleaning restrooms and mowing grass using push mowers or riding lawn mowers.

DESIRABLE KNOWLEDGES, ABILITIES AND SKILLS

Knowledge of the operation and maintenance characteristics of light and heavy trucks, tractors and related automotive equipment.

Knowledge of the operating hazards and safety rules and precautions applicable to the equipment being operated.

Ability to detect needed repairs and to make minor field repairs and adjustments to service

equipment.

Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing.

Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with coworkers and the general public.

Skill in the operation of light and heavy trucks, tractors and related automotive equipment.

DESIRABLE TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

Graduation from senior high school or equivalent and experience in the operation of light and heavy trucks, tractors and automotive equipment.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Graduation from junior high school or equivalent and some experience in the operation of light and heavy trucks, tractors and automotive equipment; or any equivalent combination of training and experience which provides the desirable knowledges, abilities and skills.

NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENT

When operating equipment that falls under the Nebraska Commercial Driver's License (CDL) status, the employee is required to possess and maintain the proper license and endorsement.

Possession of a valid Hazardous Material endorsement may be required for certain positions within this classification.

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